

Site for Amateur Athletic Park On Sand Springs Road Granted By Water Board

34-ACRE TRACT IS TURNED OVER CONDITIONALLY

Five-Year Lease Given but Property Must Not Be Commercialized

Permission to the Tulsa Amateur Athletic association to use the 34-acre tract of city property on the Sand Springs paved highway near the Compression Inner Tube factory was given by the nonpartisan water commission at its weekly meeting Monday afternoon.

The Lease Conditional.

A written request for the use of the 34-acre tract by Norman B. Snyder, one of the association commissioners, it was a copy of the petition given to the mayor and commissioners last Friday, at which time they said their mind to the affair, despite their continued opposition and reluctance to the water commission for its approval. The 34 acres are part of the waterworks property and its supervision is vested in the water commission.

The motion Monday sanctioning the leasing of this property to the amateur athletic association conditional, it provides that the property shall be used for a period of five years for an amateur athletic field, providing it does not become necessary for the city to use it. As explained by A. L. Farney, member of the water commission, the lease provides that condition, such a need is not anticipated.

Can't Be Commercialized.

There is a provision also that prohibits the use of this field as a commercial enterprise; if, at any time, it is operated for financial gain it will automatically pass from control of the amateur commission back to the water department.

These leases and conditions rest with the approval of Snyder, Walter Ahlum, Victor Barnett, and other members of the athletic commission who were present.

Leases to be prepared under the direction of this committee and submitted to the water commission at its next meeting. It will then be referred to the city attorney who will give his permission or make such changes as may be found necessary and then returned to the water commission for final disposition.

Bill Presents Problem.

The tract which is to become a public amateur athletic park under the plan of the nonpartisan commission came into possession of the city about 11 years ago when the L. J. Martin administration was in power. It was secured as the site for the sinking of a number of big wells through which water would be pumped to draw the city water supply.

Six of these wells are located on the tract, and the question of what to do with one of them, a huge hole about 30 feet in diameter, presents an engineering problem for the park authorities. The wells are small enough so that they can be covered without difficulty.

Now that the desired site is available, the athletic commission at once will get busy on its plans for creating the park. Engineers already are making a preliminary survey to decide what will be done with the well in the way of grading and with subsoil estimates within a few days. The question of financing the project then will be taken up by the commission. It has not yet been determined just how much money will be required. Improvements and equipment will be put in, and no estimate has been made as to the amount of money necessary.

Sand Springs Downs Nowata in Hard Game

Sand Springs high school basketball team won a close and hard-fought game from Nowata high school yesterday evening, last night, 27 to 29. The goal scoring of Wilson, who was a star on the Sand Springs football team last fall, was the outstanding feature of the game. Harry Brian, former Kendall football player, officiated as referee.

Wyandotte Beats Grove.

WYANDOTTE, Jan. 16.—Victory perched upon the banners of both basketball teams of the Wyandotte Consolidated high school in two games played at Grove against the basketbolists of that place, the boys winning by a score of 35 to 15 and the girls by a score of 15 to 1. The blues of the Wyandotte girls was Opal Martin and Patsy Smith, guards; Freda Lemon and Lorena Scott, centers; and Maxine Hammens and Ena Flood, guards. The lineup of the Wyandotte boys was: Tom Hollis and Millie Kishell, forwards; Ira Crow, center; Jessie Lafoe and Eldridge, guards; and Arthur Crow, sub.

But Tunney's Not Superstitious.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Gene Tunney who won the American light-heavyweight boxing title from Battling Levinsky on Feb. 1, January 16, was so superstitious he fixed the date and time that his real name carried some good omens. Tunney was baptized to get the true names of "James J." the names as two of the world's greatest boxing champions, Jim Corbett and Jeffries. "Gene" was a nickname given him by his comrades in France.

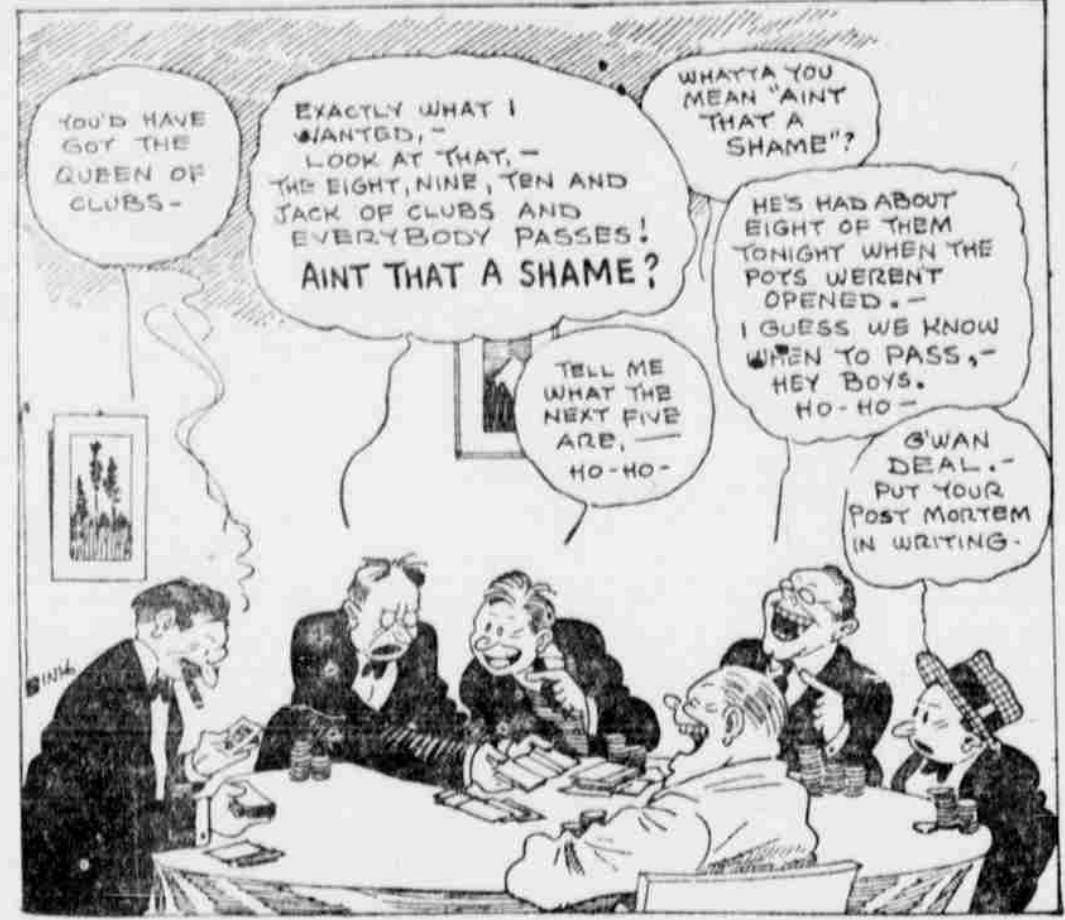
Omaha Finally Beaten.

OMAHA, Jan. 16.—For the first time this season the Quakers basketball team defeated when they went to Columbus, Kan., Thursday night and played a steady-beater with the teams of that place. The score in the boys' game was 28 to 11, and that of the girls' game was 11 to 10. Return games will be played here January 27.

K. of C. Join Olympics.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—As a result of the decision of the supreme board of the Knights of Columbus to accept an invitation to join the American Olympic association, 800 members of the "Caseys" will join the Olympic body, it was announced today.

"THAT LITTLE GAME" — By B. Link



SUNBURN MAKES PROCESSION OUT OF SPRING EVENT

Reels Off 3-16ths in 19 1-5; Behave Yourself Wins Distance

Jesse Hipleys Sunburn, one of the most consistent performers at the present greyhound race meeting, made a procession out of the feature race, the Mid-Continent's card at Mid-Continent park. He negotiated the three-quarters in 19 1-5 seconds, defeating Ernest Wild Bill by five lengths. Kiowa was a close-up third.

Behave Yourself, namesake of the 1921 Kentucky Derby winner, ran true to his name in the five-sixteenths event, winning handily from Sawtuck, the favorite.

The prettiest finish of the day came in the fifth race which Long Goodie copied by a nose from Flamingo Creek. The two dogs came through the stretch head and head and was impossible to tell which had won until the judges put up the winning colors.

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